



MARYLAND Department of Health

Maryland SHIP Health Action Newsletter

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News: Wicomico County Health Department Program Honored as Promising Practice



Image: Illustration of arrows coming together at a central point.

Community Outreach Addictions Team (COAT) offers peer support to those in active addiction seeking recovery services. They provide outreach, support, education, and links individuals to local community resources to access treatment. The Wicomico County COAT has been selected as a 2017 Promising Practice by the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO). This national recognition honors outstanding, evidence-based local public health practices. Wicomico County COAT members, in partnership with the Sheriff's Office, provide a bridge to substance abuse treatment and maintain contact until individuals access that treatment. This personalized case management approach has allowed this program to be successful.

Learn more about the 2017 NACCHO Promising Practices [here](#). If you or someone you know is facing addiction, access resources in Maryland [here](#).

Submit Your Abstract: 2018 Healthy Aging Summit



Image: A grandmother taking a selfie with her family.

Monday, February 5, 2018

Older adults are the fastest growing segment of the U.S. population. By 2060, nearly one in four U.S. residents will be age 65 and older. The 2018 Healthy Aging Summit will focus on keeping Americans healthy

through older adulthood. This summit will highlight interventions, services, supports, and strategies that optimize health and prevent or delay entry into the health care system. Now is the time to examine the critical factors that contribute to healthy aging and empower the next generation of older adults. Submit your abstract today to get involved in building strategies for healthy aging. The goals of the summit are to:

- Explore the science on healthy aging;
- Identify knowledge gaps;
- Promote prevention strategies; and,
- Support people aging in place and in their community.

Read the Call for Abstracts [here](#). Submit an abstract [here](#).

Opportunity: Public Health Fellowship Program



Image: People using a cross walk.

Friday, February 9, 2018

In 2015, there were 47.1 pedestrian injuries on public roads per 100,000 Marylanders. Maintaining pedestrian safety is a key element in preventing motor vehicle injuries and fatalities. The Association of School and Programs of Public Health (ASPPH)

offers early-career public health professionals interested in programs that prevent injuries and fatalities, and reduce costs associated with motor vehicle crashes on public roadways. Eligible applicants must be graduates from ASPPH-member, Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)-accredited schools and programs in public health.

Applications are due Friday, February 9, 2018.

For more information on this opportunity, click [here](#). Learn more about the SHIP measure above [here](#).

Event: Communities Joined in Action Conference



Image: Illustration of a network connecting many groups.

Wednesday - Friday, February 14 - 16, 2018

Communities Joined in Action (CJA) is a national membership organization of local and regional

community health collaboratives. CJA facilitates the acceleration and dissemination of best practices and resources to improve health and eliminate disparities. CJA will host their annual conference titled, "Making Connections: Optimizing Health for All." Conference attendees will have the opportunity to:

- Strengthen the national network of health equity leaders;
- Share community experiences in overcoming barriers;
- Learn replicable and effective policies and programs; and,
- Share best practices in evaluation and research addressing population health.

For more information, click [here](#).

Resource: Public Health Accreditation Webinar Series



Image: Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) logo. Text reads, "PHAB. Advancing public health performance."

The Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB) is a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing the continuous quality improvement of public health departments in the United States. PHAB offers publicly available online training and web conferences that span a wide range of information. Online modules, like the Accreditation Webinar Series, are used to increase knowledge about accreditation, as well as, assist applicants in understanding their roles in the accreditation process.

Access this resource [here](#). Learn more about PHAB accreditation at MDH [here](#).

Funding Opportunity: Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program



Image: Health Resources & Services Administration logo.

Friday, March 9, 2018

In 2016, the rate of adult and adolescent cases diagnosed with Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) was 22.1 per 100,000 Marylanders. The incidence rate also indicates persistent racial/ethnic disparities in Maryland. The Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) is soliciting applications for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part C Capacity Development Program. The purpose of this program is to strengthen organizational infrastructure to respond to the changing health care landscape and to increase capacity to develop, enhance, or expand access to high quality HIV primary care services for low income, uninsured, and underserved people living with HIV.

Applications will be accepted until Friday, March 9, 2018.

For more information on this program, click [here](#). To learn more about the HIV incidence rate in Maryland, visit the SHIP webpage [here](#).

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